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Examiner: T. T. Van Roy

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR LASER,

SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DRIVER

AND METHOD OF DRIVING

SEMICONDUCTOR LASER REDUCING FEEDBACK-INDUCED NOISE BY

MODULATED OPTICAL OUTPUT

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Madam:

Applicant notes with appreciate the allowance of claims 1, 4-7 and 22 of the above-identified application. It is respectfully noted, however, that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance merely paraphrases, to a substantial extent, the features actually recited in the claims. It is respectfully noted that the claims stand upon their own recitations, and limitations should not be imputed to the claims based upon the Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

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